IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

BEAUJOIN ET AL.

Serial No. 10/075,113

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For: METHOD OF TESTING A SEQUENTIAL

ACCESS MEMORY PLANE AND A

CORRESPONDING SEQUENTIAL ACCESS

MEMORY SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

CENTRAL DEVICE

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PETITION TO THE DIRECTOR UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a) REQUESTING TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request the Director to withdraw the erroneous Notice of Abandonment mailed July 21, 2009 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above identified patent application. Applicants deadline for further action in response to the Decision on Appeal decided July 2, 2009 is set to expire on September 2, 2009 (two months from the date of the decision) as set forth under 37 CFR 1.304 and indicated on page 1 of the Decision on Appeal mailed July 7, 2009.

The undersigned attorney contacted Examiner John Tabone on July 30, 2009 to address the erroneous Notice of Abandonment. The Examiner acknowledged that the Decision on Appeal indicated a two-month time period for further action

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from the Decided date of July 2, 2009. However, the Examiner stated that he was instructed by his supervisor to prepare and mail a Notice of Abandonment.

For at least the reasons presented above, Applicants maintain that the holding of Abandonment was in error and should be properly withdrawn.

Enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and Preliminary Amendment pursuant to the Decision on Appeal to continue prosecution of the above identified patent application.

Should any fees be due, authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 01-0484.

Respectfully submitted,

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